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## Special Announcement

**Strengthening Partners Initiative (SPI).** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* announces that applications are now available for the 2004-2005 SPI Class. SPI is a training opportunity for emerging nonprofit and faith-based organizations. The one-year program is designed to help nonprofit professionals move their organizations to the next level of operations and service-delivery. Executive Directors (or equivalent positions) from organizations located and providing direct services in DC may apply if the following conditions are met: incorporated in DC; 501(c)(3) status from the IRS; annual budget under \$500,000; desires professional and organizational growth; and has strong commitment to complete the 12 month program and attendance requirements. The deadline for applications is July 2, 2004, at 5:00pm. Applications may be e-mailed, faxed, or picked-up from OPGD, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 200 South, Washington, DC 20001. For additional information or to obtain the application, contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900.

## Federal Opportunities

**FY04 Basic Center Program (BCP).** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Administration for Children and Families (ACF)* announces funds for locally controlled programs to address the immediate needs of runaway and homeless youth and their families. Each BCP is required to provide: outreach to runaway and homeless youth; temporary shelter; food; clothing; individual, group and family counseling; and aftercare referrals, as appropriate. Eligible applicants

include state and local government entities, nonprofit organizations, and faith-based organizations. The deadline for applications is June 4, 2004. Approximately \$17.5 million is available to fund up to 180 awards, ranging from \$128,000-\$200,000. For further information, contact Nancy Johnson at (412) 366-6562 or [Nancy@MANYNET.org](mailto:Nancy@MANYNET.org); or go to: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2004-ACF-ACYF-CY-0011.html>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

**Compassion Capital Fund Targeted Capacity Building Program.** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Administration for Children and Families (ACF)* announces funds to build the capacity of faith-based and community organizations that address one of the following four priority areas: at-risk youth; the homeless; or marriage education and preparation services to help couples who choose marriage develop the skills and knowledge to form and sustain healthy marriages. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, other than institutions of higher education, and faith-based organizations. The deadline for applications is May 19, 2004. Awards of up to \$50,000 are available. For further information, contact Kelly Cowles, Office of Community Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW, Suite 500 West, Aerospace Building, Washington, DC 20447-0002, [ocs@lcgnet.com](mailto:ocs@lcgnet.com), or (800) 281-9519; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-8791.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

**Creative Arts Exchange.** *The Department of State/Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs* announces funds to support exchange programs that utilize the arts to educate foreign audiences about the

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U.S. and its foreign policy goals. The program is especially interested in reaching disadvantaged Muslim youth. Eligible applicants include nonprofit arts and educational organizations. The deadline for applications is May 20, 2004. Approximately \$1.2 million is available to fund 5-6 grants, ranging from \$50,000-\$300,000. For further information, contact the Cultural Programs Division, ECA/PE/C/CU, Room 568, U.S. Department of State, SA-44, 301 4th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20547, (202) 619-4779; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgrtxt/04-9167.txt>.

**National Technical Assistance Centers on Consumer/Peer-Run Programs (Consumer TA Centers).** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)* announces funds to assist in the transformation of the mental health system by providing consumers with necessary skills to foster consumer/peer-run programs. These programs maximize consumer self-determination and recovery and assist people with severe mental illness to decrease their dependence on expensive social services and avoid psychiatric hospitalization. Eligible applicants include nonprofit entities, including faith-based organizations, which meet the criteria for consumer or consumer-supporter organizations found in Section I-2.7 Definitions (see full Notice of Funding Availability for definitions). The deadline for applications is June 25, 2004. Approximately \$1.75 million is available. For further information, contact Risa S. Fox, SAMHSA/CMHS, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 11C-22, Rockville, MD 20857, (301) 443-3653, or [rfox@samhsa.gov](mailto:rfox@samhsa.gov); or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgrtxt/04-9149.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

**New Start Local Comprehensive Support Services Projects.** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Administration for Children and Families (ACF)* announces funds to establish a program of local support services projects to prevent the abandonment of infants and young children, particularly those who have been perinatally exposed to a drug and/or HIV. Eligible applicants include nonprofits, community- and faith-based organizations, institutions of higher education, and local and state government entities. The deadline for applications is June 18, 2004. Approximately \$2.7 million is available to fund 3-6 awards, ranging up to

\$450,000. For further information, contact William Wilson at (202) 205-8913 or [wwilson@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:wwilson@acf.hhs.gov); or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgrtxt/04-8788.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

**Professional Education for Current and Prospective Public Child Welfare Practitioners Leading to the Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) Degree.** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Administration for Children and Families (ACF)* announces funds to provide professional education opportunities leading to a BSW degree to prospective and current public child welfare agency staff. Eligible applicants include state controlled and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is June 18, 2004. Approximately \$500,000 is available for 5 awards of up to \$100,000. For further information, contact Marva Benjamin at (202) 205-8405 or [mberjamin@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:mberjamin@acf.hhs.gov); or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgrtxt/04-8781.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

**Professional Education for Current and Prospective Public Child Welfare Practitioners Leading to the MSW Degree.** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Administration for Children and Families (ACF)* announces funds to provide professional education opportunities leading to an MSW degree to prospective and current public child welfare agency staff. Eligible applicants include state controlled and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is June 18, 2004. Approximately \$500,000 is available for 5 awards of up to \$100,000. For further information, contact Marva Benjamin at (202) 205-8405 or [mberjamin@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:mberjamin@acf.hhs.gov); or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgrtxt/04-8785.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

**Recreational Services for Children Affected by HIV/AIDS.** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Administration for Children and Families (ACF)* announces funds to provide counseling, support services and/or respite care in a recreational or camp setting for children and adolescents affected by HIV/AIDS. Eligible applicants include state and local government

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entities, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education, and community- and faith-based organizations. The deadline for applications is June 18, 2004. Approximately \$300,000 is available to fund 3 projects up to \$100,000. For further information, contact Pat Campiglia at (202) 205-8060 or [pcampiglia@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:pcampiglia@acf.hhs.gov); or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-8782.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

**Special Education--Research and Innovation To Improve Services and Results for Children With Disabilities--Initial Career Awards.** *The Department of Education (DOED)/Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)* announces funds to produce, and advance the use of, knowledge to improve the results of education and early intervention for infants, toddlers, and children with disabilities. Eligible applicants include state education agencies (SEA), local education agencies (LEA), other public agencies, institutions of higher education, and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is May 26, 2004. Approximately \$300,000 is available for 4 awards of up to \$75,000. For further information, contact Debra Sturdivant at (202) 205-8038; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-9051.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

**Steps to a HealthierUS: National Organization Partnerships.** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)* announces funds to improve the lives of Americans through innovative and effective community-based health promotion and chronic disease prevention and control programs. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations with a national reach, including community- and faith-based organizations. The deadline for Letters of Intent (LOI) is May 14, 2004. The deadline for applications is June 8, 2004. Approximately \$500,000 is available to fund 1-2 awards. For further information, contact Juanika Mainor-Harper, MPH, CDC, 4770 Buford Highway, NE, Mailstop K-41, Atlanta, GA 30341, (770) 488-6452, or [StepsInfo@cdc.gov](mailto:StepsInfo@cdc.gov); or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-9238.htm>.

**Technical Assistance and Dissemination to Improve Services and Results for Children With Disabilities.** *The Department of Education (DOED)/Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)* announces funds to improve early intervention, educational, and transitional services and results for children with disabilities and their families. Eligible applicants include state educational agencies (SEA), local education agencies (LEA), institutions of higher education, private nonprofit organizations, and for-profit organizations. The deadline for applications is May 26, 2004. Approximately \$400,000 is available for one award. For further information, contact DOED, Grants and Contract Services, at (202) 205-8207; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-9053.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

**Training and Information for Parents of Children with Disabilities--Parent Training and Information Centers.** *The Department of Education (DOED)/Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)* announces funds to ensure that parents of children with disabilities receive training and information to help improve results for their children. Eligible applicants include parent organizations (see full Notice of Funding Availability for definition of parent organizations). The deadline for applications is May 26, 2004. Approximately \$4.15 million is available to fund 15 awards. For further information, contact the Grants and Contracts Services Team, DOED, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 3317, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202-2550, (202) 205-8207; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-9052.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

**Training of Child Welfare Agency Supervisors in the Effective Delivery and Management of Federal Independent Living Services.** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Administration for Children and Families (ACF)* announces funds to develop and implement a training curriculum for public child welfare agency supervisors that will strengthen supervision of staff's interventions with older youth who are in foster care and/or in independent living programs. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher

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education, community- and faith-based organizations, and state and local government entities. The deadline for applications is June 18, 2004. Approximately \$500,000 is available to fund 3 awards of up to \$166,667. For further information, contact Pam Johnson at (202) 205-8086 or [pjohnson@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:pjohnson@acf.hhs.gov); or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-8784.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

## District Opportunities

**AMENDED. FY 2004 Mini-Subgrants to Small Nonprofit Community-Based Organizations.** *The Department of Human Services (DHS)/Income Maintenance Administration (IMA)* announces an amendment to its RFA. The amendment may be accessed from the Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development's District Grants Clearinghouse: <http://opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,586841,opgdNav,33041.asp>. For further information, contact Joi Yeldell at (202) 279-6174, (202) 279-6239-fax, or [joi.yeldell@dc.gov](mailto:joi.yeldell@dc.gov).

**DEADLINE EXTENDED AND ELIGIBILITY TABLE REVISED. Reading First Initiative Grant Program.** *The District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS)/State Education Agency (SEA)* has extended the deadline date for the Reading First Initiative Grant Program. The new deadline for applications is May 3, 2004, at 5:00pm. In addition, the LEA Eligibility Table has been revised. The revised table may be accessed from the Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development's District Grants Clearinghouse: <http://opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,586841,opgdNav,33041.asp>. For further information, contact Deidre M. Hunt, CDH Management and Consulting, at (202) 641-5766.

**Arts Learning & Outreach: Arts Education Projects.** *The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCA)* offers funding to programs that provide students training and exposure in a number of artistic disciplines through its Arts Education Project grants. The projects should reinforce the importance of the arts as part of quality education, be consistent with current DC Public Schools Content Standards, and address the needs of the targeted community. Projects are funded in two categories: Curriculum-Based (taking place primarily

during the traditional school day) and Community-Based (taking place beyond traditional school hours). Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations with DC tax-exempt certification at least one year prior to the application date. The deadline for applications is June 3, 2004. Grant amounts range between \$1,000-\$15,000. A 1:1 match is required. Applicants must attend one of two pre-application workshops to be held at DCCA, 410 8th Street, NW, Fifth Floor, Washington DC 20004, on May 12, 2004, 12:00-1:30pm, or May 26, 2004, 5:00-6:30pm. For further information, contact DCCA at (202) 724-5613; or go to: <http://dcarts.dc.gov/dcarts/site/default.asp>.

**The East of the River Arts Initiative (EOR).** *The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCA)* focuses on arts activities east of the Anacostia River through its EOR program. The program seeks to develop arts organizations by strengthening organizational structures, developing audiences, and increasing arts presentations east of the river. Funding is offered through two categories: 1) Managerial and Staffing Assistance; and 2) Arts Presentations and Activities. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations that have DC tax-exempt certification by the application date and have a principal operating facility east of the Anacostia River (Wards 7 and 8) in DC. The deadline for applications is June 9, 2004. Applicants must attend one of two pre-application workshops: 1) May 11, 2004, 5:00-6:30pm, Penn Branch Municipal Services Center, 3232 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE, Washington, DC; or 2) May 26, 2004, 12:00-2:00pm, DCCA, 410 8th Street, NW, Fifth Floor, Washington, DC. For further information on EOR or to obtain an application, contact DCCA at (202) 724-5613; or go to: <http://dcarts.dc.gov/dcarts/site/default.asp>.

**K-12 Learn and Serve America School-Based Grants.** *Serve DC* announces the availability of K-12 Learn and Serve School-Based grant funds to support high-quality service-learning projects. Proposed projects will allow youth an opportunity to explore the past, present and future of their neighborhoods while serving their communities. Eligible applicants include K-12 public and public charter schools, private/independent schools and community- and faith-based organizations that may provide after-school programming in collaboration with local schools for School-Based projects. All



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projects must operate a program within DC. The deadline for applications is June 8, 2004, at 5:00pm. Grants up to \$12,000 are available. The Request for Application (RFA) will be released on May 3, 2004, at 9:00am, and will be available at 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1040S, Washington, DC 20001 or at: [www.serve.dc.gov](http://www.serve.dc.gov). All interested applicants are required to register and attend one of the technical assistance sessions taking place on May 11 and 13, 2004. For further information about the technical sessions, contact John Savage at (202) 727-2925; or go to: [www.serve.dc.gov](http://www.serve.dc.gov). For further information about the grant program, contact Lucila Lagace, Director of National Service, at (202) 727-7937.

**Watershed Protection Project Grants.** *The DC Department of Health (DOH)/Environmental Health Administration (EHA)* announces funds to control nonpoint source pollution, protect the District's watersheds, and to meet the District's commitment to assist with the protection and restoration of the Chesapeake Bay. Eligible applicants include educational institutions, DC government agencies, and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is May 28, 2004, at 4:45pm. Approximately \$756,000 is available. For further information or to obtain a copy of the Request for Applications, contact Sheila Besse at DOH/EHA, 51 N Street, NE, Suite 5024, Washington, DC 20002 or (202) 535-2241.

**Electronic Grants Clearinghouse.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <http://opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a.1316,q.586841,opgdNav,33041.asp>.

**AMENDED.** *The Department of Human Services (DHS)/Income Maintenance Administration (IMA), FY 2004 Mini-Subgrants to Small Nonprofit Community-Based Organizations*, April 30, 2004, at 3:00pm.

*The District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS)/State Education Agency (SEA), Mathematics and Science Partnerships Grant Program*, May 3, 2004, at 5:00pm.

**DEADLINE EXTENDED:** *The District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS)/State Education*

*Agency (SEA), Reading First Initiative Grant Program*, May 3, 2004, at 5:00pm.

*The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCA), Grants-in-Aid to Organizations Program*, May 20, 2004.

*The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice (ODMPSJ)/Justice Grants Administration (JGA), Byrne Formula Block Grant Program*, May 21, 2004, at 5:00pm.

*The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice (ODMPSJ)/Justice Grants Administration (JGA), Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program*, May 21, 2004, at 5:00pm.

*The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice (ODMPSJ)/Justice Grants Administration (JGA), Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program*, May 21, 2004, at 5:00pm.

*The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice (ODMPSJ)/Justice Grants Administration (JGA), Victim Assistance Fund*, May 21, 2004, at 5:00pm.

*The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCA), City Arts Projects*, May 27, 2004.

*The Office of the Secretary (OS), Escheated Estates*, June 25, September 24, and December 30, 2004.

*The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP)*, applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

*The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial Property Acquisition and Development Program (CP-A&D)*, applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

## Foundation Opportunities

**African American Arts and Culture.** *The Edler G. Hawkins Foundation, Inc.* provides general operating and program support to African American arts organizations working in the visual arts, dance, music, and theater. The Foundation encourages organizations to submit proposals detailing programs for young people that focus on African American

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culture in classrooms and other arts education settings. Eligible applicants include nonprofit African American arts organizations in, but not limited to, the New York City metropolitan area. The deadline for applications is May 7, 2004. For further information, contact the Foundation at (212) 937-2020 or [grants04@eghf.org](mailto:grants04@eghf.org); or go to: <http://www.eghf.org/index.htm>.

**Children's Nutrition.** *Share Our Strength (SOS)* announces funds through its Great American Bake Sale program to increase the number of children participating in after-school and summer nutrition services that take advantage of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) reimbursement programs. Eligible applicants include current program sponsors (those who administer the programs) and advocacy organizations that help to improve and deliver these programs. The deadline for applications is July 25, 2004. Grants of up to \$15,000 are available to program sponsor organizations. Grants of up to \$25,000 are available to advocacy organizations. For further information, contact SOS at 1730 M Street, NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20036, (800) 969-4767, (202) 347-5868-fax; or go to: <http://www.greatamericanbakesale.org>.

**HIV and Homophobia.** *The Colin Higgins Foundation* seeks to support organizations that are: 1) responding to the HIV/AIDS pandemic by supporting innovative organizations and programs in the areas of HIV prevention, education and care for people infected, affected and at risk for HIV; and 2) empowering lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender peoples by supporting community-based organizations that foster leadership in these communities and combat homophobia. The Foundation places emphasis on organizations and projects that work with youth and demographically underserved communities, such as communities of color, transgender communities, and low-income communities. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations with project budgets under \$500,000 and overall budgets less than \$2 million. The deadline for Letters of Inquiry (LOI) is June 2, 2004. Grants range from \$5,000-\$15,000. Both general and project support are available. For further information, contact the Foundation at (415) 561-6350, (415) 561-6401-fax, or [info@colinhiggins.org](mailto:info@colinhiggins.org); or go to: <http://64.147.173.100/main.cfm>.

**Jewish Literature and Culture.** *The American Library Association (ALA)* announces funds to support reading and discussion series about Jewish literature and culture through its Let's Talk About It program. Eligible applicants include academic and public libraries whose programs are open to the public and aimed at adult audiences. Libraries are encouraged to collaborate with local community organizations. The deadline for applications is June 1, 2004. Grants of up to \$1,500 are available. For further information, contact ALA at Public Programs Office, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611, (800) 545-2433 x 5045, or [publicprograms@ala.org](mailto:publicprograms@ala.org); or go to: <http://www.ala.org/publicprograms>.

**Obesity Prevention.** *CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield (CFBCBS)* announces funds for its Shape Up. . . Live Well Obesity Prevention Initiative. The primary goal of this initiative is to prevent obesity and its associated health risks in adults and children through innovative programs that promote physical activity and/or a healthy lifestyle. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations within DC, Maryland, and Northern Virginia that have health and wellness programs that address obesity prevention. The deadline for applications is May 11, 2004. Approximately \$500,000 is available to make grants ranging from \$10,000-\$50,000. For further information and to obtain a copy of the Request for Proposals, contact CFBCBS at (410) 998-5669 or [obesityrfp@carefirst.com](mailto:obesityrfp@carefirst.com); or go to: [http://www.abagmd.org/usr\\_doc/obesityrfp.pdf](http://www.abagmd.org/usr_doc/obesityrfp.pdf).

## Resources & Announcements

**Community Technology Centers (CTC) Bidders' Conference.** *The Department of Education (DOED)* will hold a free Bidders' Conference for its CTC grant program on May 6, 2004, 1:00-4:00pm, at the Washington Dulles Airport Marriott, 45020 Aviation Drive, Dulles, VA 20166. For further information on the Bidders' Conference, go to: <http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ovae/index.html?src=oc>. For further information on the grant program, contact Karen Holliday at (202) 245-7708 or [Karen.Holliday@ed.gov](mailto:Karen.Holliday@ed.gov); or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-8660.htm>.

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**Conference Scholarships.** *The International City/County Management Association (ICMA)* will sponsor a limited number of full and partial scholarships for individuals interested in attending the EPA/ICMA's Brownfields 2004: Gateway to Revitalization conference in St. Louis, MO, September 20-22, 2004. This annual event focuses on brownfields cleanup and redevelopment through interactive discussions, educational presentations, and networking opportunities with business, government, and nonprofit organizations working on brownfields redevelopment. Eligible applicants include individuals affiliated with or representative of a local government, community organization, environmental justice organization, or nonprofit entity demonstrating need. The deadline for application is June 1, 2004. For further information and to access the application, go to:  
<http://www.brownfields2004.org/en/index.aspx>.

**Education Resource Center (ERC).** *The DC State Education Office (SEO)* announces the release of the revised online ERC. The ERC website connects parents, teachers, and students of any age to information, publications, and online services relating to education from Pre-K to College and beyond. Some features of the ERC include: information and services about all DC public, charter, and private schools in one centralized location; school maps and attendance zones; performance statistics; a quarterly education newsletter; resources for parents, teachers, and students; up-to-date local and national education-related news and events; a searchable database of all schools and childcare facilities in DC; and support for adult literacy and English as a Second Language. To find out more about the ERC and to subscribe to the free newsletter, go to:  
[www.educationcenter.dc.gov](http://www.educationcenter.dc.gov).

**Summer Food Service Program (SFSP).** *The DC State Education Office's (SEO) Special Nutrition and Commodities (SNAC) Unit* is recruiting organizations that would like to become sponsors for the 2004 SFSP. The program reimburses organizations in accordance with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) guidelines to provide meals to eligible District children (18 years or younger) and some people with disabilities. Eligible applicants include public or private nonprofit schools, housing authorities and government agencies, community- and faith-based organizations,

and nonprofit day/overnight summer camps. The deadline for applications is May 14, 2004. For further information, contact SEO at (202) 727-6436; or go to:

[http://seo.dc.gov/services/food\\_nutrition/sfsp.shtm](http://seo.dc.gov/services/food_nutrition/sfsp.shtm).

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